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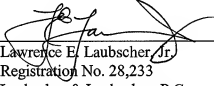
Claims 1-8 and 10-17, as amended, are pending herein. Claims 9 and 18 have been cancelled.

Claim 1 has been amended to incorporate the limitation of allowable claim 9 that rotation of the initiator from the safety to the armed condition causes the shielding means to slide from the safety to the armed position. Claim 1 should thus be in condition for allowance. Since all of the remaining claims depend from claim 1, they should be in condition for allowance as well.

Allowance of claims 1-8 and 10-17 is courteously solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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